



General Assembly

**Substitute Bill No. 1279**

January Session, 2007

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**AN ACT CONCERNING AIR AND SEAPORT TRADE DEVELOPMENT.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 32-75a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3 (a) A municipality which has an enterprise zone designated under  
4 section 32-70 and [an abandoned or underutilized] a railroad depot  
5 that is abandoned or underutilized, an airport or a water port, which is  
6 located outside of the enterprise zone may, with the approval of the  
7 Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, designate  
8 the property on which such (1) railroad depot is located and the  
9 properties adjacent to such property as a railroad depot zone; (2)  
10 airport is located and, subject to local zoning regulations, the  
11 properties adjacent to such property as an air transit zone; or (3) water  
12 port is located and, subject to local zoning regulations, the properties  
13 adjacent to such property as a water transit zone. Businesses located  
14 within a railroad depot, air transit or water transit zone shall be  
15 entitled to the same benefits, subject to the same conditions, under the  
16 general statutes for which businesses located in an enterprise zone  
17 qualify. The commissioner shall adopt regulations, in accordance with  
18 the provisions of chapter 54, which [(1)] (A) further define the [term]  
19 terms "railroad depot" and "water port" for the purposes of this  
20 section, [(2)] (B) establish an application procedure for municipalities

21 seeking the approval of the commissioner for railroad depot, air transit  
 22 or water transit zone designations, and [(3)] (C) establish criteria for  
 23 the issuance by the commissioner of approvals for such designations.

24 (b) Upon receipt of an application by a municipality for a railroad  
 25 depot, air transit or water transit zone designation, the commissioner  
 26 shall notify the chief elected official of each adjoining municipality  
 27 having a boundary not more than five hundred feet from the boundary  
 28 of the application. Such notice shall be made by certified mail, return  
 29 receipt requested, not more than seven days after receipt of the  
 30 application. The commissioner shall conduct a public hearing on the  
 31 application if any chief elected official receiving a notice under this  
 32 section submits a request to the commissioner for a public hearing not  
 33 more than seven days after receipt of the notice.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	32-75a

**PD** Joint Favorable Subst.